the Principals of Kendriya Vidyalayas to forward applications of teachers for inter regional transfers made on compassionate grounds;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that such transfer cases are not being considered w.e.f. 20-11-88;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(d) whether a telegram was sent to all Regional Officers of KVS on 15-11-88 asking for the supply of details of vacancies;

(e) if so, what is the justification of stopping transfers before the receipt of vacancy position from different regional officers;

(f) whether AIKVTA has made any representation protesting such section; and

(g) what is the reaction of the Sangathan thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan had advised the Regional Offices that applications of teachers seeking transfer on compassionate grounds should not be withheld.

(b) and (c) In the interest of education of the students, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan maintains the seasonality in transfers and it has accordingly stopped general transfers in November till the next summer vacations.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The vacancy position was sought for updating the information about availability of teachers in schools. It is not related to ordering further transfers.

(f) and (g) No such written representation is available on the records of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

Clearance of bills of contractor in the railway

3312. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred question 729 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 16th November, 1986 and state:

(a) whether unsatisfactory work carried out by one contractor due to which two bills are lying unpaid was brought to his notice within six months, as required under the order dated 25th March, 1986;

(b) if not, what is justification for not clearing the bills of the contractor; and

(c) what are the dates of submission of goods to the Railways and date of the expiry of guarantee period?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Dates of submission of the repaired goods, by the contractors were 21-7-86, 30-7-86 and 13-9-86 and expiry dates of corresponding guarantee period were 20-1-87, 29-1-87 and 12-3-87.

Priority to Members of Parliament in getting air reservation

3313. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the difficulties being faced

by the Members of Parliament in the matter of reservation of seats on Indian Airlines|Air India flights;

(b) whether Government have any proposal under their consideration to give priority to the Members of Parliament in seat reservations to enable them to catch connecting flights from air ports enroute for attending to their urgent work;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(d) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (d) In so far as Indian Airlines is concerned, instructions already exist that Members of Parliament be given over-riding priority on the waiting-list in respect of bookings requested by them on domestic flights. This applies to onward|connecting flights also. Even in case where flights are fully booked, seats for M.Ps are confirmed straightway in anticipation of some future cancellations. In cases of flights which are heavily overbooked, M.Ps are placed No. 1 on the Waiting List and cleared on the first available opportunity irrespective of their actual wait-list number. Facilitation calls have also been created at all the major airports for M.Ps. and V.I.Ps.

As regard Air India, while no special seat allocation has been made, every effort is made to accommodate the Members of the Parliament. Staff from special services unit, on receiving information regarding the travel by an M.P., assist him at the airport at the time of departure and arrival.

Lien of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas

3314. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the rules|norms which govern grant of lien to teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan who are appointed to higher posts in other Government institutions or its Undertakings, etc.;

(b) what are the details of those—(i) who have been granted lien during 1988-89 till date, (ii) those who have not been granted lien, and (iii) whose applications are pending; and

(c) what are the reasons for refusals and delay in granting of liens as mentioned above?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) A statement is attached. (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The statistics in respect of those teachers who have gone on deputation to Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti are being kept by concerned Regional Offices since, due to the large number of such cases, the powers to grant lien has been delegated to the Assistant Commissioners of Regional Offices.

During 1988-89 Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan headquarters office received five applications for grant of lien. Three of these have been granted lien and two are under process.

Statement

The permanent employees of the Sangathan, who are selected for appointment in Government or State